Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.   (Currently Amended) An update method performed by a server and a control device of a navigation apparatus for updating search data used in the navigation apparatus, the update method comprising:

providing, by the server, initial search data ~~constituted with~~ comprising search tree data having a tree structure and a plurality of sets of first substance data specified based upon the search tree data, ~~as search data prior to an update,~~ wherein the first substance data ~~including~~ include facility information;

providing, by the server, update search data comprising a set of second substance data, wherein the second substance data are stored in a non-tree structure, ~~which has~~ have an index as a search key, include facility information, and ~~wherein the second substance data does~~ do not include data specified based upon search tree data, separately from the initial search data ~~and constituted with the search tree data and the plurality of sets of first substance data specified based upon the search tree data, and not~~ without updating a set of the first substance data in the initial search data ~~and not~~ or adding a set of first substance data to the initial search data; and

executing, by the control device, a substance data search by using a tree-based search based on the search tree data of the initial search data prior to an update and an index-based search using the index of the provided set of second substance data.

2.   (Currently Amended) The update method performed by a server and a control device of a navigation apparatus for updating search data used in the navigation apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

storing, by the control device, the provided set of second substance data having the index as the update data in the navigation apparatus separately from the initial search datasearch tree data and the plurality of sets of first substance data specified based upon the search tree data.

3.   (Currently Amended) A search data update system, comprising:

a navigation apparatus that uses search data; and

a search data providing apparatus that provides update search data to the navigation apparatus to be used to update the initial search data to the navigation apparatus, wherein:

the navigation apparatus includes a storage device at which first the initial search data constituted with search tree data having a tree structure and

a plurality of sets of first substance data each specified based upon the search

tree data are stored, and an update data obtaining device that obtains the

update search data ~~to be used to update the search data~~ from the search data

providing apparatus, wherein the first substance data ~~including~~ include facility

information;

the update search data are provided in units of individual sets of second

substance data, wherein the second substance data include attached thereto an

index as a search key information to be used in a search in correspondence to

each set of second substance data, ~~and~~ do not include data specified based upon

the search tree data, are stored in a non-tree structure, and include facility

information;

upon obtaining the update search data from the search data providing

apparatus, the update data obtaining device stores the obtained update search

data into the storage device separately from the ~~first~~ initial search data; and

the navigation apparatus further includes a search device that executes a

substance data search by using the search tree data of the ~~first~~ initial search

data stored in the storage device to execute a tree-based search and using the

index attached to each set of second substance data of the update search data

stored in the storage device to conduct an index-based search, in correspondence

to input of a character for search.

4.   (Currently Amended) The search data update system according to claim 3, wherein:

upon obtaining new update search data, the update data obtaining device in the navigation apparatus sorts entire update search data including the new update search data and the update search data already stored in the storage device based upon the index and stores the sorted update search data in the storage device.

5.   (Previously Presented) The search data update system according to claim 3, wherein:

the navigation apparatus further includes a control device that executes navigation processing including route search and route guidance by using the first or second substance data obtained via the search device.

6.   (Currently Amended) The search data update system according to claim 3, wherein:

once a number of sets of update search data having been obtained becomes equal to or greater than a predetermined value, the update data obtaining device in the navigation apparatus provides an audio output or a display output

notifying that the number of sets of update <u>search</u> data is equal to or greater than the predetermined value.

7.   (Currently Amended) The search data update system according to claim 3, wherein:

once a number of sets of update <u>search</u> data having been obtained becomes equal to or greater than a predetermined value, the update data obtaining device in the navigation apparatus obtains a new version of ~~first~~ <u>initial</u> search data ~~constituted with~~ <u>comprising</u> new search tree data and a new plurality of sets of first substance data containing second substance data in the update <u>search</u> data, each specified based upon the new search tree data, and stores the new version of <u>initial</u> ~~first~~ search data thus obtained into the storage device.

8.   (Currently Amended) The search data update system according to claim 5, wherein:

the navigation apparatus further includes an input device with which a search key can be entered one character at a time, wherein:

in correspondence to each character entered via the input device, the search device advances a search executed by using the search tree <u>data</u> ~~in the first search data~~, ~~also~~ compares the character with the index, which is contained

in each of a plurality of sets of update <u>search </u>data stored in the storage device,

and ~~attaches~~ <u>adds</u> a non-target index to each set of update <u>search </u>data <u>which has</u>

<u>been</u> determined not to be a search target based upon comparison results <u>so that</u>

<u>a set of update search data with the non-target index is not to be compared</u>

<u>afterwards</u>.

9.   (Currently Amended) The search data update system according to

claim 3, wherein:

the update data obtaining device in the navigation apparatus transmits<u>,</u> to

the search data providing apparatus<u>,</u> information indicating a range of search

data to be updated; and

if update <u>search </u>data are available over the range of search data to be

updated indicated in the received information, the search data providing

apparatus provides the update <u>search </u>data over the range to the navigation

apparatus.

10.   (Currently Amended) The search data update system according to

claim 3, wherein:

the update data obtaining device in the navigation apparatus transmits, to

the search data providing apparatus, information related to a version of the

update <u>search</u> data stored in the storage device; and

if a newer version of second substance data than the version indicated in

the received information is available, the search data providing apparatus

provides the update <u>search</u> data corresponding to the newer version of the second

substance data to the navigation apparatus.

11.   (Previously Presented) A navigation apparatus in the search data

update system according to claim 3.

12.   (Previously Presented) A search data providing apparatus in the

search data update system according to claim 3.

13.   (Currently Amended) A navigation apparatus capable of updating

search data comprising:

a first storage unit at which ~~first~~ <u>initial</u> search data ~~constituted with~~

<u>comprising</u> search tree data having <u>a</u> tree structure and a plurality of sets of first

substance data each specified based upon the search tree data are stored,

wherein the first substance data ~~including~~ include facility information;

an update data obtaining device to obtain update search data comprising a

set of second substance data~~that are used to update or add to substance data of~~

~~the search data~~, wherein the ~~update data does~~ second substance data are stored

in a non-tree structure, include facility information, and do not include data

specified based upon search tree data, and the update search data have an index

as a search key in each set of second substance data ~~in the update data~~;

a second storage unit at which the update search data obtained by the

update data obtaining device are stored separately from the ~~first~~ initial search

data; and

a search device that executes a substance data search by using ~~both~~ the

initial ~~first~~ search data stored in the first storage unit and the update search

data stored in the second storage unit.